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Reporting for the week ending September 17, 2006.

Last week's temperatures remained in the normal range. Amounts of precipitation varied throughout the state ranging from 0.54 inches to 4.7 inches. There were 6.0 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 22% very short, 43% short, and 35% adequate.

Crops

The harvesting of rice and soybeans was in full swing while corn harvest was winding down. Rice harvesting was 50% complete. The majority of the crops remained ahead of the five-year average. Rice and cotton remained in good condition. Defoliant was being applied to many cotton fields throughout the state and cotton harvest was slowly beginning. Sorghum was 97% mature and winter wheat preparations continued to take place all over the state. Hay and soybean producers continued to spray for insects.

Livestock

Livestock were in good condition. Some livestock owners have begun selling their calves. Livestock producers were baling and stockpiling hay, planting fall pastures, and planting small grains and ryegrass to have as winter pasture.

Percent of Progress

Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5-Year Avg	
Harvested	94	85	78	83	
Bolls Open	84	66	87	75	
Harvested	9	3	4	3	
Harvested	50	30	38	45	
Mature	97	95	40	94	
Harvested	85	76	27	74	
Yellowed	67	58	66	47	
Shedding	51	41	50	38	
Matured	40	29	34	20	
Harvested	27	20	25	15	
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Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Cotton	0	6	25	49	20	
Rice	1	6	29	48	16	
Soybeans	9	15	32	35	9	
Hay-Other	20	22	39	17	2	
Hay-Alfalfa	45	23	18	14	0	
Pasture & Range	18	28	37	14	3	

Temperatures and Precipitation V					Veek Ending September 17, 2006				
		Temperatures			Rainfall				
				Dep from	Wk Ending	Sept	Sept	Jan	- Aug
District	Station	High	Low	Normal	Sept 17	Accum	Normal	2006	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	87	49	-2	4.01	5.25	3.27	26.10	30.14
	Harrison	90	51	1	1.13	1.33	2.87	35.56	29.65
N. Central	Calico Rock	90	49	-1	0.54	0.55	2.76	37.21	30.02
	Gilbert	92	44	-3	0.76	1.26	2.58	28.79	29.27
	Greers Ferry	90	53	-2	1.80	1.80	2.72	33.20	32.94
	Mtn. Home	89	55	-1	1.25	1.27	2.96	32.93	29.11
Northeast	Batesville	90	53	-1	0.55	1.40	2.46	33.47	31.24
	Jonesboro	91	54	0	4.39	4.39	2.05	32.28	30.77
	Keiser	92	56	1	2.97	2.98	2.45	40.31	33.96
	Newport	94	57	-1	1.02	1.24	2.38	34.69	32.11
W. Central	Booneville	93	51	-2	1.42	1.47	2.57	26.91	31.34
	Clarksville	89	54	-1	1.00	1.06	2.51	25.65	30.28
	Dardanelle	92	55	1	0.58	0.58	2.34	27.79	31.96
	Ft. Smith	94	54	0	1.68	1.69	2.33	30.07	28.87
	Mena	89	51	-1	1.70	1.90	3.01	27.38	37.78
	Ozark	95	53	-2	2.25	2.25	2.39	34.36	29.28
Central	Conway	90	56	-1	2.65	2.65	2.43	31.79	31.65
	Hot Springs	96	53	-1	2.97	0.50	2.58	28.63	37.71
	Little Rock	94	58	1	2.62	2.81	2.45	30.09	33.26
	N. Little Rock	93	58	-2	1.72	1.87	2.42	29.41	28.96
E. Central	Brinkley	93	54	-1	4.70	4.70	1.99	33.71	34.06
	Marianna	90	56	0	3.80	4.16	2.09	28.26	36.11
	Stuttgart	95	56	0	3.05	3.52	1.80	30.57	33.12
Southwest	Норе	95	50	0	1.99	2.10	2.73	24.75	35.60
	Texarkana	96	53	2	1.08	1.11	2.18	22.53	29.80
	Camden	95	53	1	2.28	3.14	2.33	20.30	35.37
S. Central	El Dorado	94	52	1	1.95	2.35	2.18	30.12	37.61
	Warren	92	55	0	2.33	2.47	2.41	27.76	37.38
Southeast	Eudora	98	55	0	1.77	1.79	1.85	33.26	39.88
_ 0	Pine Bluff	94	56	1	3.45	3.70	2.11	30.19	35.30
	Rohwer	94	58	1	0.62	1.96	1.93	31.74	35.51

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